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CLARKE COLLEGE — (upper left photo) — The Clarke College Chorales sing throughout the school year for many activities.

WM. CAREY COLLEGE — (upper right) — Two students and President Ralph Noonkester inspect architect's model of the planned new brick south entrance to the campus.

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE — (lower left) — To insure adequate fire protection, workmen unload pipe to prepare for laying of new and enlarged water mains and adding of more fire plugs.

BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE — (lower right) — Class in Survey of Physical Science in seen outside studying the sun in eclipse.

Colleges Set For '72-73 Opening

Mississippi Baptists' four colleges will begin their 1972-73 terms in September with an optimistic outlook, according to reports from them carried below in this issue of the Baptist Record.

Three are Blue Mountain College, Blue Mountain; Clarke College, Newton; William Carey College, Hattiesburg and Mississippi College, Clinton.

"On-To-College" Day will be observed in many churches in the state Sunday, August 27.

On-To-College Day 1972 is designed to help orient freshmen to college, to help all students consider the relationship of the Christian witness to every area of campus life, and to help churches plan a more effective ministry to college and college-bound students.

In addition to the four educational institutions owned by the denomination many Baptist students will attend one of the other colleges or schools in the state.

In practically every one of these there is a Baptist Student Union under supervision of a Baptist student director which seeks to help the student onto the local Baptist church or one of those in cases where there are several.

Rev. Ralph B. Winders, Jackson, is director of the Department of Student Work. A directory of all local Student Unions is carried elsewhere in this issue of the paper.

Also on the inside pages will be found stories and pictures of the Mississippi College School of Nursing and the educational programs being carried out at Mississippi Baptist Hospital.

Storm-Damaged Private Schools Get U. S. Aid

WASHINGTON (BP) — For the first time in the nation's history, private church-related schools will be eligible for federal grants to help restore facilities and equipment damaged in a national disaster.

At the urging of President Richard M. Nixon, Congress has amended an emergency relief bill to include aid for private institutions suffering great losses during the hurricane and tropical storm Agnes which devastated parts of several eastern states in June.

Originally all private schools — elementary, secondary and higher education institutions — in Pennsylvania and New York applied for help to repair damages estimated at \$19 million.

The Office of Emergency Preparedness (OEP) reports now that five additional schools have been added to this list, one in Virginia and four in West Virginia.

Private schools damaged in the South Dakota floods are eligible, but none has asked for relief, according to federal agency.

President Nixon told Congress, in

asking for the special provision to aid private schools that the need was "extreme and urgent."

Many of these institutions, the President declared, have been damaged so extensively that they would be unable to rebuild facilities to reopen "without extraordinary assistance."

In asking Congress to approve the President's request, a conference committee from the Senate and House declared that certain facts "compel" enactment of the special measure.

The conferees cited three reasons for the special aid:

(1) nonprofit private educational institutions are not provided disaster relief benefits comparable to those provided to public educational institutions; (2) nonprofit private educational institutions have a "secular educational mission"; and (3) students attending nonprofit private educational institutions that have been damaged or destroyed will have to be provided for in public institutions if the former institutions are not restored.

The new legislation prohibits the use of funds to pay any part of the

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Blue Mountain College

The opening of Blue Mountain's fall semester August 22 marks the beginning of the one hundredth session and marks the inauguration of the early semester calendar for the College. According to Academic Dean William N. Washburn the new calendar will allow students to complete the first semester's work before the Christmas holidays.

Freshmen and transfer students will arrive on campus August 22 to participate in orientation activities which continue through August 24. Registration is set for August 25. President and Mrs. Fisher will host a tea for new students Saturday afternoon, August 26. The orientation activities will be culminated with the annual pledge night activities of the three campus societies.

Although classes will begin at 8:00

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Clarke College

According to President W. L. Compere, anticipation runs high on the campus of The Mississippi Baptist Junior College as the 1972-73 academic year begins August 28 with the promise of this being an invigorating time in the life of Clarke College. Applications for admission as of August 1, were running 37% ahead of the same date last year.

The College Calendar reflects Clarke's use again this year of the highly successful Early Semester Plan. This program, first tried last year, met with overwhelming approval from students, faculty and administrative staff. The fall session on the Newton campus will begin on Monday, August 28, and will conclude for the semester on Friday, December 22, thus eliminating any final examination "holdover" until the first of the year. The College is able to completely close for Christmas with all semester work accomplished.

Residence halls will open on Sunday, August 27, and the College Cafeteria will serve the evening meal on that day. Campus housing for married students has been completely reserved, but the Administrative Office maintains close contact with the rental market in Newton, and will be able to help married students find housing in the community, when campus housing is no longer available.

Orientation will begin at 8:00 a. m. on Monday, under the direction of Academic Dean Victor Vaughn. This period will provide the students with

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Mississippi College

Fueled by 146 years of tradition and unprecedented support from both alumni and friends, Mississippi College will blast off on another academic journey Sunday, August 27, as residence halls open for a record number of freshmen and transfers.

The countdown is moving along on schedule, with the admissions office and graduate school office still processing applications, the maintenance crews busily winding up their chores, and a more learned faculty eagerly awaiting the several thousand probing minds expected to be on hand for undergraduate and graduate work.

Mississippi Baptists' oldest and largest institution of higher learning is expected to draw students from almost every Mississippi County, two dozen or so states, and several foreign countries.

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William Carey College

A record number of new students is expected on the William Carey College campus this fall as they arrive on Sunday, August 27, to begin a unique orientation program directed by the Student Affairs department. "Based on building small group relationships, the orientation will be totally different from that offered new students in years past," said Miss Ann Ernest, assistant dean of students.

In addition, the first few days of school will be filled for students with music auditions, cheerleading try-outs, annual photo-taking, the President's Reception, the Baptist Student Union bonfire and welcome party, testing of all sorts, library orientation, and finally, registration for classes.

Academic Dean Joseph M. Ernest

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Says Arthur Blessitt

Spiritual Awakening In Belfast

By Joe Abrams
Associate Editor

Internationally-known evangelist Rev. Arthur Blessitt speaking at prayer meeting Wednesday night August 16, at First Baptist Church in Yazoo City, said that "a deep spiritual awakening is being experienced today in Northern Ireland, the like of which we have not seen in a long time."

Mr. Blessitt, a native of Greenville, has been in Europe and the British Isles for the past several months and is in the United States for only a few days.

The famous evangelist, one of the most unusual in the world today, left Jackson Thursday afternoon to return to France where he will take up his ministry which will lead in the near future into Africa.

Mr. Blessitt was back "home," in one respect, when he visited Yazoo City because it was from Yazoo City that his evangelistic ministry was "launched" in 1965 when several people from the church and city there formed the Arthur Blessitt Evangelistic Association, raised some funds to help send him to California for the beginning of his unique ministry

which centered for several years on the "Sunset Strip" in Hollywood.

Mr. Blessitt opened "His Place" on the famous strip where it flourished for several years with many thousands, many of them young people, being converted.

Many of the bars and night clubs on the street closed the past few years and Mr. Blessitt closed "His Place" last summer mostly for "lack of business."

Mr. Blessitt is well known for his carrying a heavy cross across the country in 1970 from Los Angeles to Washington, winning many people to Christ along the way.

Regarding his ministry in Northern Ireland Mr. Blessitt told this reporter in an interview that "the problem there is 'religion' and the only solution is 'Jesus Christ'."

He said that he had preached to 55,000 people in the six weeks he was there and that 2500 had been converted to Christ.

He said that today both Catholics and Protestants were meeting together in many home Bible study groups.

Mr. Blessitt said that people would approach him and ask, "Which side are you on?" His quick reply always,

pointing to his "Jesus" button, was, "Jesus' side."

Mr. Blessitt said that the schools there were open to him and he would often speak in some of those during the day time.

He added that he became a trusted friend of many of the law officers who

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Major Clash On Parochial Aid Plan

By W. Barry Garrett

WASHINGTON (BP) — Powerful forces exerted heavy pressures on the Committee on Ways and Means of the U. S. House of Representatives in week-long hearings on a proposed tax credit plan to provide federal aid to the nation's private and parochial schools.

The bill before the committee, headed by Chairman Wilbur D. Mills (D., Ark.), is H. R. 16141. This bill proposes approximately \$3 billion a year for five years to aid public and private elementary and secondary education.

Estimates varied as to the amounts going to private and parochial schools, but they all ranged around three-fourths of a billion dollars a year as a beginning figure.

In order to aid public education, the bill would establish a public education trust fund out of which a federal matching payment of 50 per cent of state education expenditures would be made.

In order to aid parochial and private schools, the bill would provide a tax credit, not to exceed \$200 per child, to a parent or guardian paying tuition to such schools.

If such a plan is enacted into law, a parochial school parent would receive up to \$200 credit on his federal income tax bill for each child for whom he paid tuition.

The beginning loss in federal income tax revenue under such a tax credit plan was estimated by an administration official to be between \$790 million and \$970 million.

Witnesses before the Committee on Ways and Means can be classified in four main categories: (1) the Nixon administration, (2) organizations and coalitions for public aid to private schools, (3) organizations and coalitions

against public aid to private education, and (4) a long list of miscellaneous individuals both for and against the bill.

As for members of the House of Representatives, they have introduced 140 identical or similar bills proposing aid for private schools. While several congressmen testified in favor of the tax credit plan, no congressman offered testimony in opposition.

High level administration officials testified on behalf of President Nixon. They were George P. Shultz, secretary of the Treasury, Casper W. Wein-

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President Nixon Asks Ceremonies On Citizenship Responsibilities

WASHINGTON (BP) — President Richard Nixon has proclaimed Sept. 17, 1972 as Citizenship Day and the week following as Constitution Week. In a proclamation from the White House, the President called on religious groups, along with others, to arrange appropriate programs on citizenship that will "inspire all our citizens to rededicate themselves to the services of their country and to the support and defense of the Constitution."

The President declared: "The Constitution of the United States is no mere impersonal doctrine. It is an instrument of our people. Its vitality and meaning depend upon the purpose and energy of all of our citizens." This year's proclamation urged appropriate ceremonies in schools and churches, and in other suitable places, "to the end that our citizens, whether they be naturalized or natural-born, may have a better understanding of the Constitution and of the rights and responsibilities of United States citizenship."

Clash On Parochial Aid

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berger, director of the Office of Management and Budget, and Elliot L. Richardson, secretary of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

While President Nixon has repeatedly pledged Catholic educators to find ways and means of financial re-

lief for parochial schools, his spokesmen at this series of hearings gave qualified support of the tax credit proposal.

There was unqualified support by the administration of the principle of tax credit aid to parochial schools. However, Secretary Shultz made it clear that in order to gain the Presi-

dent's support, the Congress must either find additional revenues to offset the tax loss or must provide for a reduction in existing programs.

The administration spokesmen suggested that, if current government programs are to be reduced to provide the funds for parochial schools, the funds should come from education programs.

The dilemma of the Nixon administration was revealed by budget director Weinberger. Agreeing with Shultz, Weinberger said, "The message is simple. There simply is not very much money available for new federal programs. . . . It is necessary when putting forward a new program to have in mind old programs which can be eliminated. . . . We oppose proposals that will necessarily lead to new taxes."

Thus, President Nixon faces a tough problem — how to keep his pledge to Catholic educators without raising taxes or cutting public school funds.

Secretary Richardson, on the bill's provision to aid public education, said, "We do not now have a final recommendation to present to the Congress. . . . The administration is unable to support Title 1 of this legislation."

A formidable group of organizations and coalitions testified in favor of some form of public aid to private elementary and secondary schools.

The spokesman for Citizens Relief for Education by Income Tax (credit) was Rabbi Morris L. Sherer, president.

Sherer explained that CREDIT is a "multi-faith coalition of non public school leadership from every part of the country which has the cumulative effect of representing 95 per cent of the nation's five million nonpublic school children."

Sherer was accompanied before the Committee on Ways and Means by Richard Thompson of the National Association of Independent Schools, Edward R. D'Allesio of the United States Catholic Conference, Ivan Zystra of the National Union of Christian Schools, Frank H. Bredeweg of the National Catholic Education Association, and Al Senske of the Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod.

Another new private school agency, American Association of Christian schools, was represented by A. A. Janney, president, of Miami, Fla. He stated that the AACCS is "still in the process of organizing itself on the national scene."

Janney contrasted his movement to other private school systems that are claiming financial catastrophe in the near future and Catholic schools that are being forced to close at the rate of 400 a year. He said that new private religious schools are being formed at the rate of more than one a day.

The AACCS spokesman said these schools are being formed by "many evangelical, fundamental church members" who "have become increasingly concerned about the accelerating slide into atheism, materialism and humanism that have taken over the mood of public education in the wake of court decisions reversing prayer, Bible reading and in some



Car tags from Mississippi and from neighboring states register for the new school year beginning August 28. are in evidence at Clarke College as students arrive to

places even the Pledge of Allegiance from public classrooms."

Although Janney located most of the AACCS schools in the southeastern part of the United States, he said that their schools were scattered throughout the nation. The Washington counsel for AACCS vigorously denied that these schools were racially segregated.

The AACCS spokesman was not enthusiastic about large amounts of federal aid to their schools. However, he said they had decided to ask for it if it becomes available.

Citizens for Education Freedom (CEF) testified through its president, Eugene Linse. Although composed largely of Roman Catholics, CEF says it has on its board of directors and in its membership "citizens of every race, creed and color." For the past 13 years CEF has been campaigning throughout the USA for public aid to church schools.

Prominent among the witnesses before the committee were Monsignor Francis B. Schulte, for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and John T. Gurash, board chairman of I. N. A. Corporation and chairman of a select group who studied the Philadelphia school problems.

Both of these men pointed out the financial trouble of the parochial schools in Philadelphia and surrounding counties. They declared that the effect on public schools would be catastrophic if the private schools were forced to close.

On the other side, many organizations and coalitions vigorously opposed tax credit legislation as detrimental to the public school system and as violative of the Constitutional of church-state separation. Conspicuously absent, however, were spokesmen for the National Education Association and the National Council of Churches, two agencies which frequently testify at such hearings.

The Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, a coalition of eight Baptist bodies in the United States, was represented by John W. Baker, acting executive director.

Baker based his opposition to the tax credit proposals as a violation of the principle of religious freedom, and as an unwise public policy.

Americans United for Separation of Church and State (formerly known as P. O. A. U.) was represented by C. Stanley Lowell.

In addition, state organizations of a broad coalition of forces called Committee for Public Education and Religious Liberty (PEARL) and other similar organizations had witnesses at the hearings. These states included New York, Illinois, Ohio and Michigan.

All of these groups held that although the tax credits were received by parents, the ultimate recipient and beneficiaries were the religious schools themselves.

"The tax credit means the conferring of a tax advantage on the recipient," Lowell declared. "If he pays the money for a private purpose — his child's religious education — he receives the equivalent of a check from the government. There is no dif-

ference between the government's paying the money to the parent and the parent's being excused from paying the money to the government. It is exactly the same cash situation.

"The subsidy is given to the parent for a purpose — so that he may pay it over to the church school," Lowell charged.

The Americans United spokesman also asked the committee, "Why is it any more constitutional to subsidize parents in providing a religious education for their children than to subsidize schools to do the same thing?"

A coalition of the American Ethical Union, the American Humanist Association, and the Unitarian Universal-

ist Association was represented by Edd Doerr.

Doerr claimed that tax credits are economically regressive and unsound. He charged that tax credits would be tax support for the various kinds of separatism, discrimination, segregation and unbalance found in parochial and private schools.

What are the prospects for passage of the tax credit bill by Congress this year? In the judgment of many in Washington this possibility is very slim.

BULLETIN

Mr. L. E. Cummings, 81, father of Bryant Cummings, Director of the Department of Sunday School Work, of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, died suddenly at a rest home in Owensboro, Ky., on Tuesday morning, August 22. His wife preceded him in death by about five years. In addition to his son, Bryant, Mr. Cummings is survived by one daughter. At press time, funeral arrangements were incomplete.

Holly Grove Homecoming

Homecoming Day at Holly Grove Church (Simpson County) will be held Sunday, August 27.

Sunday School will begin at 10 with singing at 11 continuing throughout the day dinner on the grounds at noon. All collections on this day will be for the upkeep of the cemetery.



Ted Smith, director of the Computer Center at Mississippi College, looks over the console of the new computer installed at the college during the summer.

WCTU Meeting At Columbus To Be Dedicated To Young People

The president of the Mississippi Woman's Christian Temperance Union has announced that Miss Rosalita Leonard of Evanston, Ill., general secretary of the National Youth Temperance Council, teen agers affiliate of the National W. C. T. U., will be a principal speaker at sessions of the 86th annual Meeting of the Mississippi union in Columbus, Miss., next week.

Mrs. Robert E. Rodgers, Jackson, said the sessions on Wednesday, Aug. 30, will be specially dedicated to youth and Miss Leonard will address the Mississippi YTC that evening in the Immanuel Baptist Church, Columbus, using as her subject "Reach Out

in Praise." Mrs. Davis Harper of Columbus, general secretary of the Mississippi YTC, is in charge of plans for the youth meeting.

All day business sessions of the state organization will be held on Aug. 31 in First Baptist Church, Columbus, and will include a Youth Workshop conducted by Miss Leonard who will also be the luncheon speaker.

Miss Leonard, graduate of Juniata College, Pennsylvania, formerly taught mathematics and reading in Gindira, Republic of Nigeria, Africa, for three years.

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would help him to stay out of the places where shooting would likely take place.

Upon questioning he told of spending the greater part of a day in Belfast with Billy Graham who made a trip recently to the strife-torn country.

He said he also carried his cross in Northern Ireland as he has in every country where he has been!

Received Good "Press"

Mr. Blessitt said he had received a good press coverage generally in Europe and that in England he was well received, speaking at both Oxford and Cambridge universities.

He said that in England he had had the unusual experience of baptizing several Church of England pastors.

Mr. Blessitt spoke highly of the "Jesus Movement," feeling that God was blessing it and that in many parts of the county it was being welcomed by numerous churches.

He has written several books, including "Forty Days at the Cross," "Tell the World," "Life's Greatest Trip," and his life story, "On to Jesus."

Upon being asked if he had a philosophy of life, he said "Jesus is my Savior, and He is Lord and my life is at His disposal."

Asked about his future plans, he said he will return to France soon, travel through that country, Portugal and perhaps another, then into Africa.

He has dismissed all of his staff and he and his family of six travel in a Volkswagen bus and sleep in it at night.

He carries his cross usually in the morning, witnessing along the way and during the afternoon and night holds evangelistic rallies and carries

on other types of services and ministries.

Mr. Blessitt, who attended Mississippi College, Clinton, has no "home" as such. He does have some furniture stored in Los Angeles where he also has a post office box, from which his mail is forwarded to Yazoo City and sent on to him.

Membership in California
He holds membership in a Baptist church in California.

He and Mrs. Blessitt have four small children and Mrs. Blessitt is "school marm" to all four.

Asked about his financial support,

he indicated that he operates largely on "faith."

He never receives an offering at any of his evangelistic services and never solicits an offering.

He says he does receive frequently an honorarium from a church service, anonymous donations, and still receives assistance from the Yazoo City-based Arthur Blessitt Evangelistic Association.

One of his ambitions is to carry his cross around the world.

In closing he said that "people nearly everywhere today are hungry to learn about Jesus Christ."



Last week Arthur Blessitt talked to the young people at Agape House, coffeehouse ministry sponsored by First Church, Yazoo City. In the States for only a week, he has returned to France.



Left to right are Rev. James Yates, pastor, First, Yazoo City; Rev. Arthur Blessitt; and Owen Cooper, SBC president. Mr. Blessitt spoke in prayer service Aug. 16 at Yazoo City. Mr. Cooper was one of the founders of the Arthur Blessitt Evangelistic Association.

Clarke Admissions Run 37% Ahead Of Last Year

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an overview of the upcoming semester and will also feature a special welcome from the Chamber of Commerce and the town of Newton. Representing the town will be Mayor Elliott McMullan, a Clarke alumnus and former member of the Board of Trustees. Mayor McMullan, has issued a proclamation, designating the opening week of school as "Clarke College Week" in Newton.

The Chapel Hour, at 11:00 a. m. on the 28th, will be presided over by Clarke's President, Dr. W. L. Comper, and will feature an introduction of the faculty and staff of the college. A service of worship and inspiration will conclude the morning's activities.

Opportunity for individual conferences will be provided students with faculty members in their major areas prior to registration that afternoon. Students will be given ample time to work out their programs for the semester and discuss any problems. The registration line will be open from 1:00 until 5:00 p. m. in Sanders Library.

Social events are scheduled throughout the first week of school, beginning with the Annual Fall Mixer on Sunday night the 27th. This occasion will be under the direction of Dean of Women, Mrs. Ernestine McGaugh and will feature talent displays, skits and plenty of time for fellowship. The Cafeteria will host this occasion as students return from church services on Sunday evening.

Additional Activities
Additional activities of a social nature will be sponsored by the Baptist Student Union, according to Director J. B. Costlow, and there will be many informal gatherings as Clarke students get acquainted and re-acquainted.

Several students will be on the Clarke campus due to the help provided them by a program designed and directed by the Board of Trustees, and implemented by Charles Higgins, Clarke's Director of Development. Recognizing the financial strain often encountered when young people enter college, Clarke's Trustees designed a Trustee Scholarship Program, and through this plan numerous individuals from over the state have made significant contributions, opening the doors of a college education to worthy young people. In addition

to the Trustee Scholarship Program, Clarke College offers a wide range of financial aids and student assistant. According to Business Manager Herbert Valentine, "There is still money available, and I would be glad to talk with any prospective student who needs some help."

Clarke College begins the new school year undergirded by the formation of a Development council, composed of fifteen individuals who are willing to give their time, resources, and influence on behalf of The Mississippi Baptist Junior College. This Council, in conjunction with the Board of Trustees, will be meeting during September, and making long-range plans for the total Development picture at Clarke.

Study Program Expanded
The Independent Study Program, pioneered at The Mississippi Baptist Junior College, has been expanded for the upcoming academic year, and several students will be enriching their college experience as they face the challenge of "studying on their own." Mr. James Spencer will be working with the Academic Dean in the general oversight of this program, and students will be given ample guidance as they work their way through materials in various fields especially programmed for individualized study.

Following the highly-acclaimed "I AM Thankful to Be An American" musical TV special last year, Clarke College is readying three such specials for production during the 1972-73 year. These programs, taped in Meridian, are then transmitted by video tape copies throughout the state. "I AM Thankful to Be An American" was carried on five TV stations last year, and each station indicated a definite interest in having more this year. On schedule is a fall show, a Christmas program, and a spring production.

Clarke students have served during this summer as youth directors, Garaywa staffers, Home Mission Board missionaries, Montana missionaries, VBS workers, and have shared the spirit of Clarke College as they have communicated the message of Christ. The concluding chapel program of the 1971-72 academic year featured the theme, "Sweet, Sweet Spirit." New students will join with the returning sophomores to experience the reality of that Spirit on the campus of Clarke College in 1972-73.

MC Halls To Open August 27

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Registration comes early this fall as the college begins to operate on the early semester system being adopted in many colleges and universities throughout the country. Under the system, the first semester will end prior to the Christmas recess and the second semester will begin immediately following the Holiday break.

Residence halls will swing open their doors at 1:30 p. m. Sunday, Aug. 27, with faculty hosts and student guides on duty to assist and welcome the entering collegians.

While the incoming students settle in new quarters and meet new friends, their parents will gather at 3:30 p. m. in Provine Chapel for a brief orientation session. Dr. Charles Scott, dean of students, will be in charge.

The program will be geared to provide the parents with the largest information on various programs and policies of the college and give them the opportunity to meet administrative personnel and Student Body Association officers.

At 4:30 the parents will move over to the Vesper Room of the B. C. Rogers Student Center for a Parent-Student Forum. Here they will have the opportunity of talking with upper-class students concerning student life on campus.

The first general meeting for all freshmen is scheduled for Monday at 8:30 a. m. in Nelson Auditorium. Dr. Lewis Nobles, president of the college, will issue the official welcome. Also appearing on the program will be Dr. Charles E. Martin, vice-president for academic affairs; Jerry McBride of Jackson, president of the Student Body Association; Dr. Scott, and others.

Later in the day the freshmen will report to their assigned faculty advisor and student advisor for counseling prior to actual registration. They will also attend sessions in academic departments relating to their interests.

Registration for the first-year students will begin at 1 p. m. on Tuesday, Aug. 29, in the Student Center. Transfers, upperclass and full-time graduate students will begin registering on Wednesday, Aug. 30, at 8 a. m. All students should check with the

Registrar's Office prior to reporting for registration.

A change in registration time for those students taking work in the popular Evening School program will go into effect this year. All individuals taking classes in the Evening School only will register at 6:30 p. m. on Monday, Aug. 28, in the Student Center. In past years Evening School registration has taken place on Thursday nights.

Course Work Offered
A schedule of offerings in the Evening program is available from Dr. D. Gray Miley, chairman of the Evening School. A variety of course work is being offered, allowing those who find it necessary to work during the day to pursue a degree at night.

Classes will meet on the regular schedule for the first time on Thursday, Aug. 31, at 8 a. m.

A number of social functions will be intermingled with the orientation and registration activity.

They include a "County Fair",

sponsored by the Baptist Student Union, on Monday, Aug. 28; a Freshman Talent Show on Tuesday; a Coke Party for all new students at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Nobles on Wednesday afternoon starting at 1:30; a watermelon cutting sponsored by the Student Body Association on Thursday; a freshman and transfer picnic at Camp Garaywa, also on Thursday; an SBA-sponsored movie on Friday; a Freshman Girl's Pallet Party on Friday; and Dorm Day in the college grove and another SBA movie on Saturday.

During the second week of school there will be an SBA sponsored Carnival, open house in the game room of the Student Center; and the first football game against Livingston University in Livingston, Ala.

The college begins the 1972-73 academic session with an air of optimism. As of August 1, the enrollment applications for new students was running ten percent ahead of the same period the previous year and financial support of alumni and friends continued on the upswing through the COMMITMENT Campaign emphasis.

Plans Being Readied
Plans are on the drawing boards for an addition to the Leland Speed Library, including a Learning Resources Center; for a new building to house the School of Nursing and Department of Home Economics; and for a multipurpose building to be used in athletics and assembly meetings.

During the summer months many improvements have taken place on campus that will enhance the physical appearance of several buildings and add to the enjoyment of the students.

Christman Hall, a man's residence, has been equipped with central heating and air conditioning and a general facelift on the interior. Carpeting has been installed in the hallways of Ratliff Hall, another men's residence.

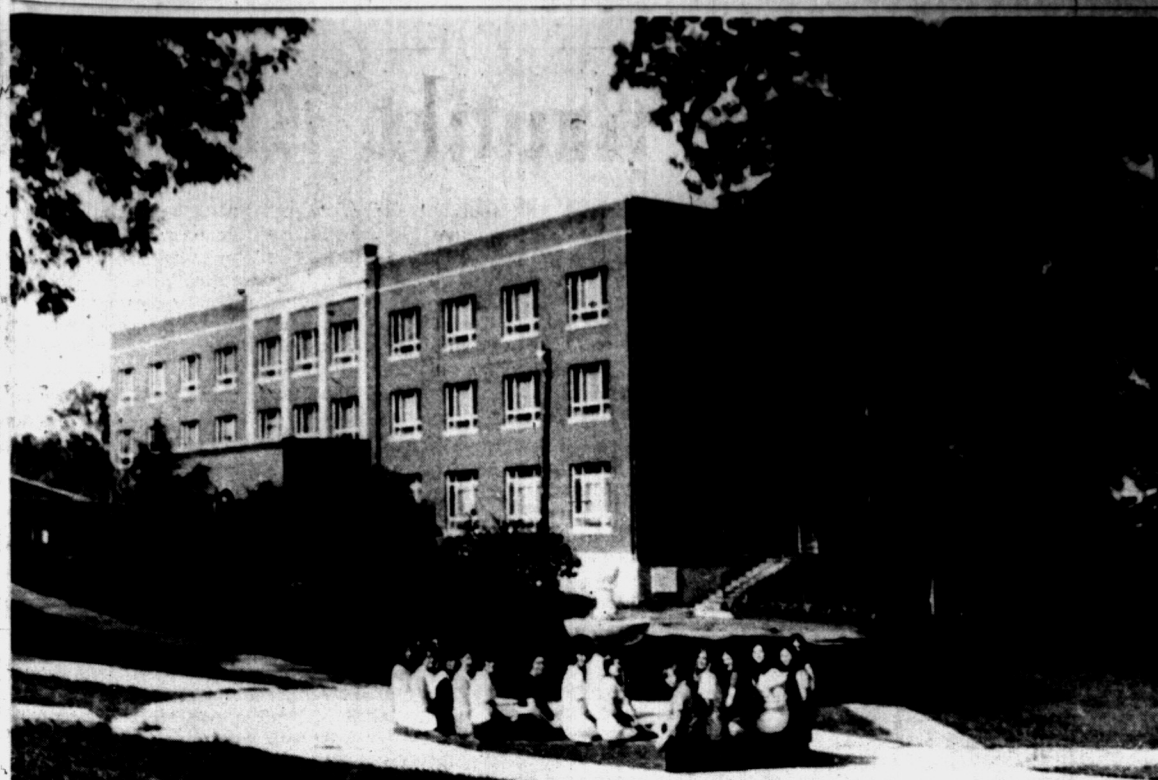
The lobby of Alumni Hall, the athletic building, has been completely remodeled and a new suite of offices for the coaching staff — complete with carpeting — has been added. The former coaching offices, which have also been carpeted and painted, will be used by the chairman of the Divi-



Mississippi College prides itself on the individual interest faculty members take in the student. Here Dr. Phil McCarty, associate professor of Bible and Religious Education, counsels with John Weeks of Jackson during a pre-school Freshman Counseling Session.

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"THREE COINS IN A FOUNTAIN"? No—fifteen girls in a fountain! plus a dorm hostess. Jennie Stevens Residence Hall, Blue Mountain College, is in background.

Crusade Starts Language Work In Connecticut

BRIDGEPORT, Conn. (BP) — A week-long Baptist-led "Festival of Faith" crusade in a city which has no Southern Baptist church has resulted in 120 recorded decisions for Christ and the formation of Bible study groups in Savic, Spanish, Portuguese and English languages.

The crusade was led by Southern Baptist Home Mission Board staff

members with the assistance of a 104-voice youth choir from First Baptist Church, Hendersonville, N. C., called the "Sound of Singing Youth."

Singing original presentations, the choir received a standing ovation from one packed high school auditorium crowd, and prompted merchants in Lafayette Plaza, a Bridgeport shopping center where the choir

sang twice daily, to write letters saying the choir had brought a feeling of good cheer in an area where crime had given shoppers sense of uneasiness.

The most dramatic result was the conversion of the leader of a local street gang called the Warlords. Richie, the gang leader, drove up beside the choir's bus as it was leaving and yelled to the choir member who introduced him to Christ to reach down and take his knife. As the bus sped away at 40 miles per hour, Richie handed over the knife, yelling, "Take it, I don't want to see it anymore."

W. S. O'Neal Dies

W. S. O'Neal died in a nursing home at Enterprise, Alabama on August 10 of a heart attack. The funeral was held Saturday, August 12, in River Falls Baptist Church, River Falls, Alabama, where he had been a deacon for 45 years.

Mr. O'Neal, who would have been 88 in September, was the father of Mrs. John Tillery of Clinton, employee of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, Jackson, and Dr. Norman O'Neal of the Mississippi College faculty. In addition to the Mississippians, Dr. O'Neal and Mrs. Tillery, six other children survive.

Baptist Hospital—Institution Of Learning

Mississippi Baptist Hospital is an institution of healing — but its role in the community is by no means confined to the treatment of the sick.

Even though it possesses few of the more visible symbols of a college or university (football team, ivy walls, campus riots), Mississippi Baptist Hospital also is very much an institution of learning.

For seven decades, the hospital's Gilfoy School of Nursing, which turned out hundreds of nurses, dominated the educational spotlight at the hospital.

But the hospital's other educational programs have grown in recent years, and teachers are instructing students there practically every day of the year except Sundays.

The Mississippi Baptist Hospital School of Practical Nursing offers a basic twelve-months course to men and women between the ages of 18 and 55, and this school already has produced 266 graduates.

The Mississippi Baptist Hospital

School of Medical Technology was established in 1946 and is approved by the Council on Medical Education and Hospitals, of the American Medical Association.

The Mississippi Baptist Hospital School of Radiologic Technology was established in 1952 and is accredited by the Council on Medical Education of the American Medical Association and by the American Registry of Radiologic Technology.

The hospital also provides clinical experience for students from Hinds Junior College through its Department of Respiratory Therapy, which is the treatment, management, control and care of patients with deficiencies and abnormalities of respiration.

Students in the Mississippi College School of Nursing, working toward careers as Registered Nurses, obtained their clinical experience at Mississippi Baptist Hospital.

On July 1, Mississippi Baptist Hospital entered a new phase of medical education. By agreement between

the hospital and the University Medical Center, four residents and one intern from the medical center began rotating through the hospital. In the future this program undoubtedly will be expanded. The program replaces the intern program and is a direct result of nationwide changes in methods of medical education.

In still another kind of educational program at Mississippi Baptist Hospital, Rev. Gordon Shamburger, hospital chaplain, conducts seminars for pastors of many different denominations, instructing them in pastoral care of hospital patients.

Serving as career consultant for Mississippi Baptist Hospital is Miss Kathy Bearden, who travels about the state speaking to groups — especially to young people — informing them of the many health-related careers open to them at the hospital — either as employees or as students in the hospital's many and varied educational programs.

Storm Damage - - -

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cost of facilities or equipment used primarily for sectarian purposes.

Also, no grants can be used to restore or rebuild facilities or equipment used primarily for worship or used in a department of religion or a divinity school.

Reunion At Palestine

A church reunion and Gallman family reunion will be held at Palestine Church, Hinds County on Sunday, September 3. Friends and relatives of the Gallman family are especially invited for a day of worship and fellowship. Those attending are asked to bring a picnic lunch and photographs of interest.

Chinese is spoken by more people than any other language in the world, with English second, according to Warren Preece, editor of Encyclopedia Britannica.



An educational-program session at Mississippi Baptist Hospital.



On the campus of Clarke College, the Student Education Association is open to students interested in a career in any area of education. Mrs. A. L. McGaugh, Dean of Women (seated), is faculty sponsor.



Clarke President W. L. Compere welcomes new students to the campus in Newton. The college is anticipating the highest fall enrollment in several years.



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History 331 (Mississippi History)	Green Hall 225
Sociology 412 (Industrial)	Green Hall 227

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Sociology 417 (Criminology)	Green Hall 227
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*Music of the Church C490	Thomas Hall

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*Bible 301 (The Pentateuch)	Tatum Court 202

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High School (Sept. 13-Nov. 15)	
Accounting 331 (Managerial Accounting)	Biloxi
Biloxi High School (Nov. 22-Jan. 31)	
Bible 103 (Survey of Old Testament)	Biloxi
First Baptist Church (Sept. 12-Nov. 14)	
Music M101 (Music Appreciation)	Biloxi
First Baptist Church (Sept. 12-Nov. 14)	



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EDITORIAL

Do We Still Need Christian Education?

Christian institutions of higher learning were first started when there were few or no other schools.

Often their founders stated that the purpose of founding them was to provide for an educated ministry.

Today, however, the situation has changed. Public institutions of higher learning, supported by tax funds, and private institutions which are not church-related, now far outnumber the denominational schools. The majority of students enrolled in institutions of higher learning today, are in the secular or non-Christian schools.

Does this mean that the day of need for Christian institutions has passed? Is it a waste of God's money to support Christian education today, at a time when the government and other private sources largely have assumed responsibility for education? Since the Christian schools now, at least to some degree, occupy a secondary place in the educational field, is it time to do away with them?

To the Christian the answer is obvious. It is "No, the day of Christian education has not passed! These

church related schools still are needed, and the Christian forces still must maintain them. There are a number of reasons:

1. We still need institutions which provide education with the Christian plus, to provide a specialized training for ministers and others who are called of God to church-related vocations. Of course, the secular schools can train these, but it stands to reason that they hardly can provide the spiritual atmosphere and spiritual emphasis which can be given on the Christian campus.

Where will we find a continuous supply of ministers, missionaries, and other church and denominational workers, if we do not provide Christian institutions to give them a special type of preparation? We seriously doubt that educational institutions with little or no spiritual emphasis could adequately supply the vast need.

2. We also need the Christian institution because we need a continuous supply of non-Christian-vocation leaders, to come back to our churches with a positive Christian witness, what-

ever their vocations may be. Again, we acknowledge that some of the finest church leadership comes out of the secular schools, yet we cannot but believe that the education with a plus... Christian education... provides an atmosphere and a type of training which naturally will tie the graduates more closely to the churches and to Christian work as they enter their vocations.

3. There still is another reason for Christian schools. All too often we find in secular institutions, situations to which many Christians feel they do not want their children to be exposed. The hippie culture, the revolutionary attitudes, the lowering of moral standards, and the emphasis on an atheistic, secularistic type of living, which all too often are found on some modern campuses simply is not the type of situation many Christian parents want their children to become a part of. We are making no blanket charges against non-church-related schools, for all do not allow the above named things, but all of us are familiar with the reports of reports of drinking, mixed dormitories, drugs, protest groups, etc., on some campuses, and ordinarily these are not found on Christian campuses. Most Christian institutions simply will not allow such conditions to prevail.

There are many other reasons for maintaining Christian schools, but these three are enough to reveal the absolute necessity for having them.

It is evident that Mississippi Baptists believe that and as a result they have established and maintain four splendid institutions.

These are schools which seek to provide the highest type of academic training, but do it in a positively Christian atmosphere.

Professors are chosen not only for their scholarship, but also for their Christian character.

Anti-Christian, and non-Christian attitudes are ruled out. A positive Christian emphasis is maintained. If this were not so there would be no reason for the existence of the schools. Mississippians believe in their schools and thank God for them.

However, the institutions face serious financial problems, and Mississippi Baptists must accept responsibility for meeting their needs. We cannot allow them to become second rate institutions simply because we fail to support them.

The convention and the churches must prove their belief in Christian education, by adequate support to make these institutions able to live and do their very best work.

preciation and support of the entire citizenry.

We would hope that the small weekly local newspapers including both those with subscription prices and those which are simply advertising publications distributed without cost, will have the courage to follow the example of the metropolitan dailies. We also hope that television and radio stations will follow suit.

The time has come to say to these promoters of filth that we no longer want this type of entertainment in our community.

Now, before someone begins to cry about freedom of the press, please remember that that freedom does not include the right to tear down and destroy the very moral foundations which make our community and our nation what it is. A community or a nation has a right to protect itself from those forces which would destroy it.

The publishers and editors of our metropolitan newspapers are builders of our community and our state and we thank them for this responsible action in refusing any longer to give publicity to the destructive evils which are undermining the very moral fiber of our people. We believe that they will receive wholehearted support from a vast majority of our citizenry.

gregation, to see what God can do with them there.

UNDER THE CHAPEL SPIRE by Robert O. Fife (Baker, paper, 127 pp., \$1.95) Dynamic talks to students, by a member of the faculty of Milligan College, Tenn.

CHURCH WEEKDAY EARLY EDUCATION, DIRECTOR'S GUIDE by William H. Halbert, Jr. (Convention Press, paper, 71 pp.) Between these covers are just about everything anyone would need to know about

administering day care, kindergarten, nursery school, and other preschool programs.

SUCCESSFUL CHALK TALKING, A COMPLETE GUIDE by Robert Leonard Smith (Baker, paper, 103 pp., \$3.95) Here is everything one needs to know about "chalking while talking." This is a "how to" book in which both beginners and advanced students of the art will find numerous hints on how to develop techniques. The author, pastor of First Baptist Church, Pompano, Fla., is a former commercial artist.

NEWEST BOOKS

MEET THE PROPHETS by Eugene Skelton (Broadman, 160 pp., \$1.95) One of Southern Baptists well known pastors and denominational leaders presents a new approach in looking at some of the outstanding prophets of the Old Testament. Included in the studies are Samuel, Elijah, Elisha, Amos, Micah, Hosea, Jeremiah, Habakkuk, Ezekiel, Haggai, Zechariah and Jonah. The author says that he sought to understand the world in which the prophet lived, and to understand not only the message that he preached but also the very emotions which he felt. He says that he also sought to understand each prophet's experience with God. From this he has prepared these chapters, some of which are presented as if written by a contemporary of the prophet, but most of which are from the prophet himself. It is an unusual presentation and should give a new understanding, and a deeper appreciation for these men who walked with God and spoke to men for God, so long ago. The book is beautifully bound, attractively printed and includes a number of illustrations.

DINNER ON THE GROUNDS COOK-BOOK compiled by Elizabeth Swadley, with illustrations by Louise Barbour (Broadman, 128 pp., \$1.50) A collection of recipes from Southern Baptists in all 50 states, compiled by a Missouri pastor's wife. The recipes come from rural churches, city churches, shopping center and apartment churches, Indian reservation missions, and coffeehouse ministries. They can be used for church suppers, class suppers, and "dinner on the grounds," as well as in the home.

HOPE FOR YOUR CHURCH — The Van Nuys Story — by Harold L. Fickett, Jr. (Regal, 157 pp., \$3.95) Is the modern church dead? Is the day of the institutional church past? Can any modern day church succeed? Dr. Fickett, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Van Nuys (Los Angeles area), California, shows that the modern church can be successful. In this book he presents ten principles of growth which have helped make the church he serves, one of the greatest and largest churches in America today. The principles he presents are: Christ Centered, Biblically based, Evangelistic, A Regenerated Membership, Confidence in Leadership, Scripturally Financed, Adequately Staffed, Motivated by Faith, Diversified in Service and Balanced in Emphases. The pages are filled with thrilling stories of how these principles have worked. This book should inspire many a preacher and other church leader to try to apply these principles in his own con-



ON-TO-COLLEGE DAY

On-to-College Day 1972 is designed to help each church member see himself as an important part of the whole Christian witness on campus and to accept the challenge of his role—as a new college student, as returning college student, as parent of college student, as supporter of college student.



LIGHTEN THE LOAD OR IMPROVE THE ROAD

THE BAPTIST FORUM

The Seminary Editorial

Dear Dr. Odle:

Let me thank you for your very splendid Editorial "Southern Baptists and Theological Education" in the August 10 issue of the Baptist Record. It's about as sane and statesmanlike an editorial as I have seen in a long time.

Sincerely yours,
Dick H. Hall, Jr.
Southern Regional Director
Atlanta Office
Americans United for Separation of Church and State.

Dear Dr. Odle:

I have just read your editorial "Southern Baptists in Theological Education." It is an excellent, well-balanced article dealing with this matter. I agree with you totally in it.

The organization of these seminaries does not alarm me, especially if they do not lead to a splinter denomination coming out of such movements. I do not believe that that will be the case. For many years I have said that Southern Baptists owe a greater debt to Frank Norris than they can ever pay or will acknowledge. As you indicate in your editorial he and his movement served as a balance to keep Southern Baptists on their toes and in the middle of the road theologically.

I think we need to look upon these seminaries in the advice given by Gamaliel. If they are not of God they will fail; if they are of God we certainly do not want to be fighting against God.
H. H. Hobbs
FBC, Oklahoma City

Dear Dr. Odle:

This is simply to express my appreciation for your editorial last week on Southern Baptists and theological education. You gave evidence of keen insight into the situation we face. This trend has been of great concern to me for several years and I hope Southern Baptists will take a look and make an evaluation of what is happening.

Joe Davis Heacock
Southwestern Seminary
Ft. Worth, Texas

Dear Dr. Odle:

Just a line to say "thank you" for your very discerning editorial on our Baptist seminary situation. I think you told the brethren the truth in a nice way. IF our seminary leaders do not put their houses in order soon, Baptists will move out and leave them.

Fraternally,
Leroy Green
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Pascagoula, Miss.

On The MORAL SCENE...

If parents want to revitalize school lunch programs, they can begin by ridding their schools of chocolate milk, ice cream, soft drink and candy machines, Gena Larson, dietitian, told a recent meeting of the National Health Federation in Falls Church, Virginia. The meeting brought forward complaints about the contents of lunches in Northern Virginia schools: A suburban mother said she was frustrated when she went to her children's school to complain about the high starch and sugar content of lunches there. "That's the wrong approach," Ms. Larson said. Cafeteria managers have their hands tied by county supervisors. Go to the top. Administrators and dietitians are often not as up to date as laymen regarding nutrition but you will get perhaps 50 percent support from mothers and fathers. "When I said I would resign, during my first year at Helix High School (La Mesa, California), if the candy machines were not removed, I was blasted by administrators until I found out why: the schools were making a profit off the sale of the candy. I wrote the newspapers, called the radio and TV stations with this piece of news. When parents heard this and recalled their dental bills, they rallied to my side." Ms. Larson said gradual change is the



A Woman's World Reaches Far

Beyond the Ironing Board

Wilda Fancher

"Try not to go around curves too fast—the shafts might get bent," was the admonition Jim, our youngest, gave me.

"O.K." I said, following the child psychologists who say to let children have their way and make decisions when no big deal is involved.

"You know what shafts are, don't you?" he asked.

"Yes, shafts are the stems on your golf sticks."

"Boy, Mama, you really know what's coming off, don't you?"

I felt like saying, "Yeah, your head if you don't shut up." Instead, I said, "Yeah, I really do know what's coming off."

While we chatted on down the street toward his golf date I kept thinking about his, "Boy, Mama you sure know what's coming off, don't you?"

Several thoughts kept bumping each other around in my head, and I felt vaguely disturbed for a while about the fact that Mamas sometimes really do not know what's coming off. It wasn't necessary that I call to mind the times I had answered our boys' questions with an "I don't know," such thoughts crowded in quickly.

Answers must come from somewhere. If a child can't find out "what's coming off" from his parents, he'll find out something from somewhere. Some mighty important things are going on in the world right now. Maybe we Mamas should take the time to examine these big issues quite closely, and from all angles, so we do not fall into one of two traps, an "I don't know" or a too dogmatic answer to cover up our uncertainty.

I really do know that you play golf with clubs instead of sticks, but appearing not to give Jim a chance to get me with a good natured ribbing. However, it is questions like, "Would it be fair for a family of five where both parents work to make a total income of \$12,000 to have to pay high enough taxes to guarantee another family of five where one or both parents do not work a certain income?" which need an answer of wisdom, an answer based on Christian principles as they relate to American democracy. That's the kind of question we are getting around our house these days.

As usual, Mamas can rely on a power stronger than ourselves. Just as God is a source of comfort, strength, and hope, He is the source of wisdom. James wrote in the New Testament that this is true: "If any man lack wisdom, let him ask God."

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only realistic approach to reform of school lunches. "You start by telling children you love them too much to give them junk," she said. "Young people are honest and are convinced by facts. . . . We have to sell, sell, sell (nutrition) just like Madison Avenue pushes the junk. We shouldn't be afraid to brainwash our children with the truth." (Community Nutrition Institute Weekly Report, 5-18-72)

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New Orientation Program Begins At Carey College

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and Student Dean Dorman Laird, as well as campus Chaplain Jerry Oswald, will be on hand to insure that Carey's largest fall enrollment in history is adequately cared for.

Returning students will find some interesting changes on the campus scene. Baseball seating stands to accommodate 2200 persons have been erected during the summer months and lighting is being installed to provide for night athletic events. A generous new access road is under final stages of construction from Highway 49 South onto the Carey campus and an impressive new brick entrance is being planned by architects for the south side of the college grounds.

For the first time a director of military affairs has been employed. A soon-to-be-retired Army Air Force officer, Antonio Pascale from Gulfport, has accepted the position and will begin his duties at Carey in the fall. "He is an outstanding Christian gentleman as well as a capable administrator," commented Dr. Noonkester, president of the college. "He will direct our growing adult education and degree completion program within the area of our armed forces." Interestingly, Sergeant Pascale was the first "bootstrapper" to earn his degree from William Carey College in 1970. He is married and has a 16-year-old daughter and a 15-year-old son.

Four new faculty members have been employed to begin teaching in the fall. Dr. Ronald Paddock, a recent Baylor University doctoral graduate, will be added to the department of psychology and education as well



New William Carey College Faculty Member, Dr. Ronald Lloyd Paddock, helps his lovely family unpack as they move into their Hattiesburg home. Dr. Paddock, a recent doctoral graduate in education and psychology from Baylor University, has been named assistant professor.

as Russell V. Dargel, also a Baylor graduate in psychology. James H. Shivers has been named assistant professor of economics and business and Mrs. Linda Crane Eades has been added to the teaching staff of the physical education department.

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Thomas have been named residence counselors for the coming year and Thomas will serve as assistant Baptist Student Union director.

Nursing Program Growing
Both the graduate music program and the growing nursing program show increases in numbers for the fall term. The New Orleans campus of the

Carey School of Nursing will be offering several adult education courses in September for the first time. Business courses will also be offered on the Gulf Coast as have been for the past two years.

In May of this year William Carey College completed its finest year, recording for history its largest enrollment and largest budget. Summer school followed with an amazing 25% increase in student number. Already the current year is running ahead of last year in every major area of development. The total operating income for the past twelve months was \$1,660,000 and an operating surplus of



William Carey College students will experience a new orientation process when they arrive on August 27, emphasizing small group relationships. Simulating a session above are from left: Mrs. Milton Wheeler, admissions director, and students Sandy Powers, Randy Scott, and Marty Flowers.

\$11,970 was reported. An increase of 10% in student income was noted also.

Largest Graduating Class
The largest graduating class in history (269) earned degrees in May, with four master of music degrees and six bachelor of nursing degrees being awarded for the first time. A spiritual highlight of the year was Carey's first annual CALL '72 conference in which over 250 Mississippi high school students explored Christian vocations during an April weekend packed with information and inspiration. CALL '73 has already been planned and will be held on April 7-8.

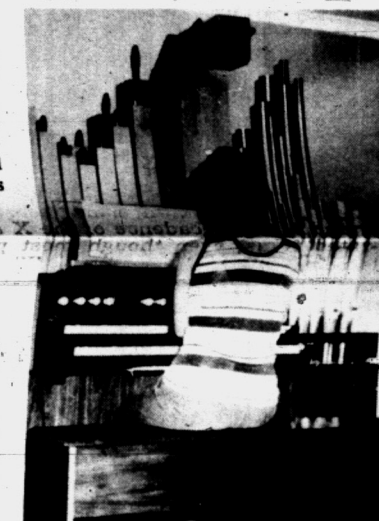
A new community service major has been added to the social science curriculum and two students have completed internships and received degrees. Tuition-free Bible and music courses are again being offered to Hattiesburg area church workers this fall. Elaborate new chemistry equipment has been provided through a National Science Foundation grant. William Carey College has experienced a steady and consistent growth pattern in every area for the past sixteen years. The 1972-73 school year which officially opens on August 27 promises a continuation of the same.



For the first time ever, students entering Mississippi College this fall will have a post office on campus, in the basement of the B. C. Rogers Student Center. Here Ricky McPhail of Jackson tries the combination on his assigned box. The college zip code is 39058.



Bonnie Bright of Ashland, a summer session and 100th annual session freshman at Blue Mountain College, speaks to become "brighter" as she pauses for study by the "LAMP OF WISDOM," in a quiet corner of Paschal Student Center. The "Wise Old Owl" is a reminder to students that it pays to study.



Sandra Strickland of Baldwin, Blue Mountain College junior organ student, makes frequent use of the new \$7,500 practice organ in Hiatt Organ Studio.

BMC Inaugurates Early Semester System

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a. m., Monday, August 28, the one hundredth session will officially open with a convocation at 11:00 a. m. featuring Governor William L. Waller, Dr. Leyon Moore, Chairman of the Education Commission, and Dr. Robert Hamblin, President of the Convention Board, will participate in this significant event.

The theme for the 1972-73 session, "There's something special..." reflects the emphasis on the unique quality which has been found at Blue Mountain through the years.

There's something special... about the students. Although students came from nineteen states and several foreign countries, 70 percent were Mississippians. Seventy-two percent were Baptists. The College still maintains its emphasis on the educational program for young women. However, sixty-four outstanding ministerial students were enrolled during the session. It has been proven that BMC students are Christian students who exert a positive, productive force both while enrolled and when they leave the College. During the 1971 session the students were engaged in many service activities which were related to the churches and to the communities. The students in the BSU raised \$5,151.15 and purchased a Dodge Maxiwagon to be used to extend the campus ministry. The students are planning ways to translate their Christian concern into a reality as they make maximum use of this new facility during the 1972-73 session.

There's something special... about the faculty. The outstanding faculty through their dedication and commitment have proved a quality program of higher education. The following additions to the faculty will strengthen the academic program: Dr. William Harper, Assistant Professor of Education; Dr. Norman Mason, Assistant Professor of Social Science; Miss



Pooling their wits for "Big Tests," these girls enjoy special friendships and refreshing fountain sodas at

Blue Mountain's Paschal Student Center Grill.

Lisa Meredith, Assistant Professor of Spanish; and Dr. John Perry, Assistant Professor of Speech and Dramatics.

There's something special... about the curriculum. The College has adapted the curriculum to the demands of the technological world in which it is located. Thus, changes in teaching techniques and in the curriculum, such as inter-institutional seminars, clinical experiences, medical technology program, block scheduling for student teachers, and the honors program, all reflect Blue Mountain's response. However, the changes in the program have not altered the commitment to the development of the individual student. The College, therefore, provides developmental activities which will make it possible for the student to adjust and to as-

sume positions of leadership in the home, and in the business world.

There's something special... about the campus. Prior to the opening of the first session General Lowrey received a letter which stated, "Without doubt you have the most lovely spot in North Mississippi for a school. That mountain, that spring, that valley, all these remain as silent but powerful tutors, teaching lessons of beauty and taste and grandeur not learned from books." Lovely buildings and beautiful landscaping enhance the campus. The addition of a parking lot will add to the beauty of the campus as well as to the convenience of the students. The air conditioning of the dining hall during the 1972 summer session completes the major air conditioning projects. Therefore, the one hundredth session will find a utilitarian campus as well as one of beauty.

There's something special... about the spirit and environment at Blue Mountain College. "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord..." was read at Blue Mountain's first convocation. It was not only read, but it has been reflected through the lives of those who have studied and worked at this great

educational institution. The Christian spirit prevails at Blue Mountain College, and with the help of our Lord the type Christian education needed for the young girls and ministers of today will be provided.

In retrospect the ninety-nine years of Mississippi Baptists' College for women is reviewed with pride. The one hundredth session is viewed with enthusiasm and anticipation because of your support and your prayers.

There is indeed SOMETHING SPECIAL ABOUT BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE!

"RELIGION for Czech children constitutes a grave hazard to their mental health," announced the Slovak Communist Party organ, "Pravda." It reasons: "Religion interferes with sound and harmonious emotional development of children. It impedes social adaptability, creating the conditions for the emergence of delinquency. By burdening the nervous system it leads to psychological disorders. It brings up individuals with undermined will and stands in the way of the development of firm moral sentiments. In the case of school children, it weakens the will to learn, leading to lower grades."

Bolton To Celebrate Noteburning Aug. 27

Bolton Church will celebrate the noteburning of the church debt at a homecoming and special service on Sunday morning, August 27, from 10 a. m. until noon. Dinner will be served on the church grounds after the service. "All former pastors and members are encouraged to attend," states Rev. Wayne Burkes, pastor.

Two former pastors, Dr. A. A. Kitchings, who was pastor when the church building was begun some 30 years ago, and Rev. Don Henderson, pastor when the church pastorium was built, will take part in the service. Some outstanding congregational singing, with some special singers, is planned.

Rock Hill Dedicates New Pastorium

Rock Hill Church, Rt. 2, Mt. Olive, dedicated its new pastorium July 16. Rev. Thomas Balch is pastor.

The speaker was Rev. Bill Duncan, pastor of First Church, Picayune. The dedication prayer was given by Rev. Glen Williams, associational superintendent of missions for Covington County. Open house was held following the dedication service.

The building committee is James Anglin, Chairman; Mrs. Myrtle Reynolds; Mrs. Inez McIntosh; Mr. Rufus Rogers; and Jim Reese Rogers.



MC School of Nursing student Mary Ann Myers (left) of Forest receives some personalized instruction from Mrs. Mary Rhodes, charge nurse in obstetrics at Baptist Hospital. (M. C. Photos by Bill Strange)



Paula Parrish of Greenville, student in the Mississippi College School of Nursing, operates one of the intercom systems at Mississippi Baptist Hospital. Students do classwork in Clinton, with clinical experience at Baptist Hospital and other agencies.



Amy Thornton of Crystal Springs (MC nursing student) works at one of the machines in the Cardiac Patient Lab, at Baptist Hospital.



Mike Wilkinson, assistant administrator, Baptist Hospital, shows an architect's rendering of the proposed new hospital to Patricia Rose of Greenwood, student, MC School of Nursing.

Church Building And Pastoral Aid

The attention of all churches requesting Church Building or Pastoral Aid for 1973 is called to a stipulation that all such requests be in the Executive Secretary-Treasurer's office by September the 1st.

W. Douglas Hudgins
Executive Secretary-Treasurer

MC School Of Nursing Moves Into Fourth Year

The Mississippi College School of Nursing moves into its fourth year of a degree-granting program Sunday, August 27, as members of the freshman class report in for room assignments and general orientation sessions.

Mrs. Marion Bassett, dean of the School of Nursing, said approximately 55 new students — freshmen and transfers — will be reporting to begin the academic program leading to the bachelor of science in nursing degree.

Later in the week they will be joined by almost 75 other students who will be returning to continue their nursing studies. Among this group are 17 seniors who will compose the first graduating class for the growing school.

Mississippi College began its nursing program following the announced dissolution of the diploma-granting

Gilfoy School of Nursing associated with Mississippi Baptist Hospital. Students receive their academic training on campus, while clinical experience is gained at Mississippi Baptist Hospital and at other health agencies in the greater Jackson area.

Mrs. Bassett returns to her administrative duties as dean following a year's leave of absence to work on a doctor's degree at the University of Alabama.

In announcing plans for the new school year, Mrs. Bassett stated that entering nursing students will follow the same registration schedule as the regular Mississippi College student.

Residence halls for the new enrollees will open on Sunday, August 27, at 1:30 p.m. Two programs geared for the parents of the entering students are also planned for Sunday afternoon in Province Chapel and the B. C.

Rogers Student Center.

A general meeting for the newcomers is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. Monday in Nelson Auditorium. They will be introduced to the various administrative officers and Student Body Association leaders.

Later in the day they will be meeting with the faculty members of the School of Nursing for individual counseling and guidance regarding their course of study.

Freshman registration will begin at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 29, in the Student Center. Sophomore, junior and senior nursing students will begin registering at 8 a.m. on Wednesday.

Thursday will find the students attending classes on the regular schedule. Registration and classwork begins several weeks earlier this year as the college begins operating on the early semester system which al-

lows completion of a full semester prior to the Christmas recess.

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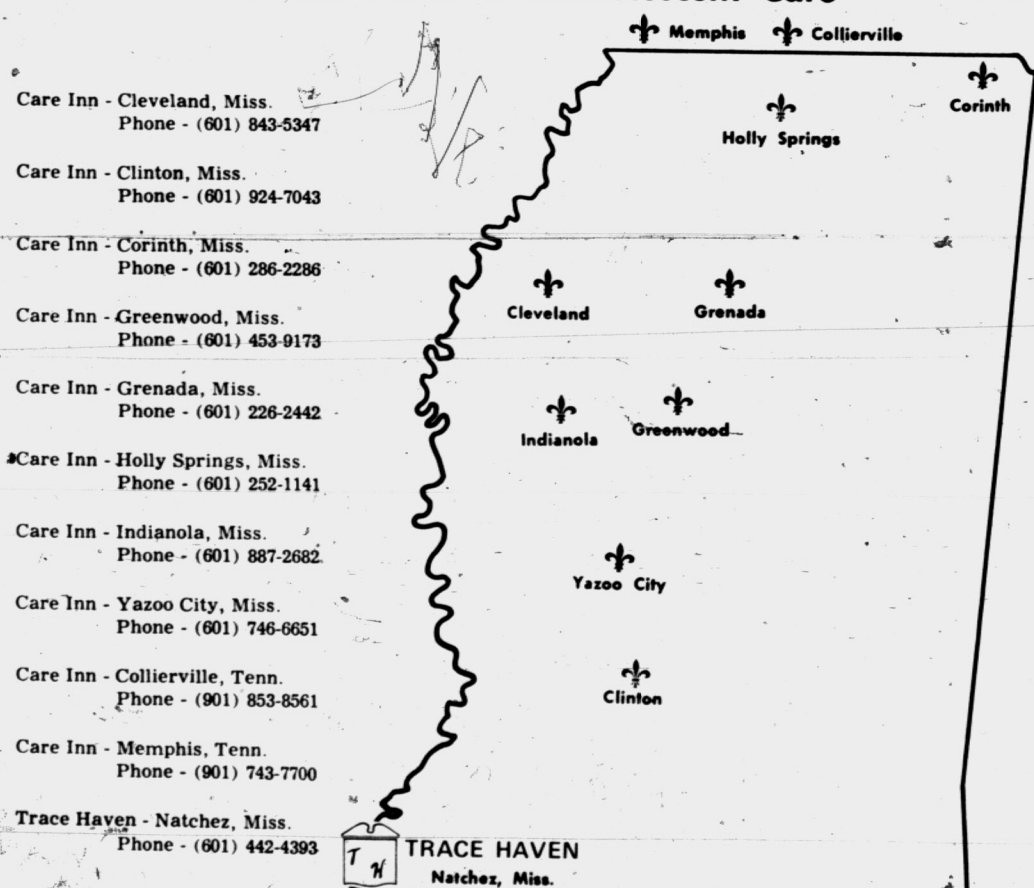
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Bethel Homecoming

Annual homecoming will be held August 27 at Bethel Church, Copiah County. Rev. Vance Dyess, former pastor, will deliver the morning sermon. Rev. Ace McVay, former pastor and presently interim pastor, will bring the devotional after lunch at the church. Following will be a program of "history, memories, and singing." Friends, former members, former pastors are invited.



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SWISS BAPTISTS INCREASE IN NUMBER

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Preaches 26th Revival At Shady Grove

Rev. Bruce S. Hilburn of Soso was with the Shady Grove Church, George County, July 31 - Aug. 6, for his 23rd revival in the church. "We all believe this to be an all-time world record! We are waiting for someone to challenge it," he declares.

He preached from the book of Revelation in every service. "This was one of the most unique and joyful experiences of my ministry of 56 years," he states. There were two additions, one for baptism and one by letter, and many rededications.

The interest was so high that one of the men offered to finance the revival for another full week. Circumstances and previous commitments prevented a continuation. However, the church voted for Mr. Hilburn to return at the earliest possible date, which has now been agreed upon as the first week in October. Billy Hilburn, the preacher's son currently serving with Dr. W. A. Criswell and First Church, Dallas, as minister of music, will lead the singing for the revival.

Rev. N. H. Smith is the Shady Grove pastor.

Wm. Carey To Offer Free Evening Courses

Tuition - free evening classes in religion and music will again be offered at William Carey College this fall.

Professor Dorman Laird will be teaching the popular course, *Old Testament Survey*, on Thursday evenings from 6:30 - 9:10. Registration will be Sept. 7.

The *Old Testament Survey* course is offered without charge to all and any interested church - lay leaders. There is no college credit offered for the course unless desired. According to Dr. Ernest, all that is necessary for area church members to enroll free of charge is to complete a very brief scholarship application form which their pastor must sign. These forms are available from the office of Academic Affairs at Carey.

Each year over 100 persons participate in the *Old Testament Survey* study. Space is limited so all interested persons are urged to enroll promptly.

Two additional free courses will be offered. The *Pentateuch* to be taught on Thursday evenings and *Music of the Church* to be taught by Dr. James Downey on Tuesday evenings.

MC's Seminary Extension To Offer Seven Fall Courses

Seven courses in the areas of Bible, religious education, and music will be offered this fall through the Mississippi College Seminary Extension Center, Dr. Eugene I. Farr, director, has announced.

Dr. Farr said that classes are scheduled for Monday, Tuesday and Thursday nights for pastors, laymen, Sunday School teachers, and other interested persons. Classes will begin on September 11 and run through November 16.

Registration is now taking place in the Mississippi Baptist Historical Commission Office at Mississippi College and should be completed before Sept. 11. No individual can enroll later than the second class meeting.

Classes will run from 7 to 9 p.m. each night in the Province Chapel, with the cost to each enrollee being \$12 plus the cost of the textbook.

Available on Monday night will be Music 155 - Elementary Conducting, taught by Dennis McIntire; New Testament 112 - Life of Christ, taught by Dr. Farr; and Old Testament 121 - Solomon through Malachi, taught by Dr. E. R. Pinson.

Offerings on Tuesday night will be Bible Study in Galatians, taught by Dr. Pinson, and Religious Education 115 - Teaching Young People and Adults, taught by Rev. Winford Hendrix.

The two classes offered on Thursday nights will be New Testament 122 - Acts through Revelation, taught by Dr. A. A. Kitchings, and Old Testament 111 - Adam through David, taught by Rev. Paul Jakes.

Individuals desiring additional information should contact Dr. Farr at 924-6172 or 924-6527 or write Mississippi College Seminary Extension 203 West Lakeview, Clinton, Miss., 39056.

New Haven Homecoming

New Haven Church, Terry, Route 1, will observe homecoming on August 27. Morning and afternoon services will be held with dinner on the grounds. All former pastors, members, friends are invited.

This day will also see the beginning of a revival with Rev. Wayne Crenshaw, pastor of Temple, Jackson, as evangelist. Services will be held daily at 7:30 p.m. August 28 through September 1.

Organist for homecoming and revival will be Mrs. Laureen McDonald, and pianist will be Mrs. J. H. Ray, Sr. The pastor, Rev. Ira C. Griffin, will lead the singing.

Bible Adventures Illustrated

READ GENESIS CHAPTER 8:9

WHEN THE WATERS HAD INCREASED FOR A HUNDRED AND FIFTY DAYS, GOD MADE A WIND PASS OVER THE EARTH, AND THE WATERS BEGAN TO SUBSIDE.

NOAH THEN RELEASED A DOVE, BUT IT FOUND NO PLACE TO SETTLE.

AFTER SEVEN DAYS HE AGAIN RELEASED THE DOVE... THIS TIME SHE RETURNED WITH AN OLIVE LEAF.

THE THIRD TIME, THE DOVE DIDN'T RETURN AND NOAH KNEW THAT THE WATERS HAD DRIED.

GOD SAID TO NOAH, "COME OUT OF THE ARK, EVERY LIVING CREATURE AND LET THEM SWARM OVER THE EARTH."

NOAH BUILT AN ALTAR AND GAVE UP OFFERINGS. AND THE LORD SAID, "NEVER AGAIN WILL I CURSE THE GROUND. MY BOW IS SET IN THE CLOUD, AS A SIGN OF MY COVENANT WITH EARTH."

Sunday School Lesson: International

The Christian Faith Is A Witnessing Faith

By Clifton J. Allen
Acts 4:13-21; 8:26-40

The Christian faith is a witnessing faith. The church is a witnessing community. Every Christian is expected

to be a witness for Christ. These statements are much more than religious commonplaces. They should elicit affirmative and exciting responses on the part of Christians. We need a gripping conviction that we should tell

the truth about Christ to other persons. Christ charged us to do this very thing, just before his ascension from the earth. And he promised that the Holy Spirit would empower us to tell the wondrous news about Christ wherever we go.

Peter and John were on trial before

the Sanhedrin for witnessing in the name of Christ. They had healed a lame beggar by the power of Christ, and, when arrested and brought before the authorities, the apostles declared that actually Christ, raised from the dead, had made the lame beggar well and that in the living Christ alone is there salvation. The boldness of Peter and John amazed the members of the council. Something had happened. They were no longer afraid, as they had been in connection with the crucifixion of Jesus. The members of the council had identified them as friends and followers of Jesus. The secret of their courage was that Jesus was with them then: the living Christ in them through his Spirit made them fearless. They lacked formal education; they were not accredited as religious teachers. But they had something to tell. And they were filled with power by his

Spirit to declare the truth about Christ to the multitudes in Jerusalem, even in the face of threats by his enemies. **UNDENIABLE WITNESS (vv. 14-17)**

Though a powerful body, the Sanhedrin was in an embarrassing situation. The religious leaders denied the reality of the resurrection of Jesus. And yet, standing in their very midst, was a man, known to them all as having been lame from birth, who was strong and well; and Peter had declared that the explanation was the power of faith in the living Christ. They could not deny the reality of the miracle; and the healed man confirmed the claim of the apostles. The Sanhedrin, having sent the prisoners out for a moment, made the pathetic admission that a notable sign had been performed and they could not deny it. They could threaten the apostles and forbid them to speak in the name of Christ, but they could

not deny or discount the evidence of the truth proclaimed by Peter and John. If the lives of Christians confirm what they say about Christ, and if their works declare his love and power, sooner or later the world will listen.

IMPOSSIBLE SILENCE (vv. 18 - 21)

Peter and John were called back before the council, and the authorities charged them not to speak henceforth in the name of Christ. Their response was: silence is impossible. They were not telling fables. They were not dealing in fiction. They were declaring the deepest realities of spiritual experience. They had companied with Jesus some two or three years. They knew that he was crucified on a cross. They knew that he was alive from the dead - they had seen him repeatedly and talked with him and heard his final commission that they should be his witnesses.

Sunday School Lesson: Life and Work



Dr. Paul Carlson, Acts 21:1-36

Dr. Paul Carlson was settled in a well-paying surgical practice in suburban Los Angeles. His family (wife Lois - a nurse, children Wayne, 9, and Lynette, 7) were happily engaged in church activities. Then in 1961 he took a six-month trip to the Congo for a relief agency. When he returned, he told a doctor friend, "You wouldn't be able to swallow your sandwich if you could only see."

Finally Dr. Carlson responded to the call of compassion and took his family to the Congo as missionaries of the Evangelical Covenant Church. They arrived at Wasolo (meaning "the end of the world" in the native tongue) in October, 1963. Dr. Carlson began serving an 80-bed hospital as the only doctor in an area of 100,000 population.

Communist-inspired rebel activity flared up and Dr. Carlson took his family across the Ubangi River to safety in the Central African Republic. He came back to his hospital, assured that an escape route would be open for him "just in case." But the rebels closed the escape route. He was arrested, charged with spying, and sentenced to death, supposedly because he owned a radio and was an American.

In the days ahead gruesome headlines glared at readers in many countries. Unspeakable atrocities against the whites were being committed by the natives. For awhile there was hope that Dr. Carlson's life might be negotiated by the rebels. But this hope faded when Belgian paratroopers moved in to rescue the captives. Dr. Paul Carlson was among those shot down by the crazed rebels.

Surviving prisoners told of his bravery and compassion that lasted to the end. One Belgian said, "He was the only real man I ever met. Every day they called him out, insulted and beat him. But he preserved an unbelievable calm. Forgetting his own pains, he comforted us and spoke encouraging words."

Across the Ubangi River, Lois Carl-

son heard the sad news. Gathering her two children, she read the Bible to them and said gently, "Daddy has been called home to Jesus."

Later someone remembered Paul Carlson had once said, "More people have died for Christ in this century than in the so-called days of the martyrs."

It is futile to debate what Paul ought to have done. Even though

Agabus and all of his friends understood the spirit was guiding against the mission, Paul felt the Spirit was leading him to Jerusalem. The efforts to discourage him crushed his heart but that did not turn him from his purpose to go on to Jerusalem - he was seeking to heal the breach between Jews and Gentiles - but he was willing to die there.

Of course all the Christians realiz-

ed that the Jerusalem situation was explosive. The Jewish Zealots were becoming more restless in each encounter and a stampede could be precipitated by any charge of disloyalty to Jewish traditions. Paul and others had been accused of disloyalty already by Jewish leaders that had hounded them in European cities. Many feared for Paul's life if he ap-

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Blue Mountain's dietetic staff members serve the best of family-style meals in Ray Dining Hall. Shown removing a pan of Powell's special home-baked rolls from one of the giant ovens are, l to r: Mrs. Gene Powell, dietitian, Mrs. T. E. Medlin, and Mrs. Billy Henry. Staff members not pictured are Mrs. Leon Dollar and Mrs. Esker Akins.

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September 9, 1972

Promotional plans for church and associational attendance at the World Missions Rally, September 9, should begin early in order that travel groups may be worked out, such as car pools or use of church buses.

Each year the family group attendance at the rally has shown a slight increase. The program is planned with a family unit in mind.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. The program is a one day affair, beginning at 9:00 a.m. and ending after the supper meal, with lunch and supper being served at a cost of \$3.50.

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NASHVILLE — The church architecture department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board has broadened its services to include a custom interior design consulting service on a cost recovery basis.

Rowland Crowder, secretary of the department, said, "the purpose of the new service is to give our Baptist constituency another service that is Baptist oriented to improve the appearance of our church buildings. You might call it Baptist ecology."

A church requesting this service would reimburse the board at predetermined rates for the time spent on the project by the interior designer and draftsman, for the designer's travel expense to and from the church and for his living expenses while on the field.

According to Crowder, "This will not curtail the program design service of suggesting building arrangements for church programs. These services will be available to churches at no cost just as they have been in the past. Also, limited advice and information regarding interior design will still be available by correspondence at no cost."

When a church contacts the church architecture department requesting the new service, a trained professional will be sent to observe present conditions and to talk with the church committee about current needs. He will also consult with the local architect to resolve design - construction problems.

The designer will be concerned with

furnishings, coordination of carpets, drapes and other decorative elements, materials and light fixture selection.

Crowder said "the service is for new churches and for churches wanting to remodel their interior. It is intended to be a complete custom interior design service."

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The annual spring pageant at Clarke College features the finest and most attractive young men and women on campus. Pictured is last year's "Most Beautiful,"

Miss Tricia Gilbert, Newton, on the arm of Marion Dees, Jr., of Kosciusko.

Revival Dates

Silver Spring, near Osyka (Pike): August 25-27; Pastor Richard McCullum will preach Aug. 25 and 27; Jeff Slaughter will preach Aug. 26 and show a film of his conversion experience, "Rainbow's End"; old-fashioned dinner on the grounds Sunday, the 27th, night services at 8:00.

Highland, Meridian: August 27-September 1; Monday through Friday at 7 p. m.; regular Sunday services at 10:55 a. m. and 7:00 p. m.; Rev. Frank W. Gunn, pastor, First, Biloxi, evangelist; Jamall Badry, Oklahoma City, and recording star for Word Records Inc. of Waco, Texas, singer.

Osyka Church (Pike): Aug. 20-25; services at 7 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; doughnuts and coffee served each morning after services; Rev. D. R. D. Blanton, pastor, bringing the messages; Charles Carruth, in charge of music.

Cross Roads (Newton): August 21-27; Rev. Gene Jacks, pastor, evangelist; Rev. Terry McMillan, minister of music at Russell, singer; services at 7:30 p. m. Mon. - Sat.; Sunday services Aug. 27 at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

First Church, Gulfport: Buddy Mathis Crusade; August 23-27; Lloyd Mims of First Church, Collins, leading singing; services at 7:30 p. m.; Dr. John H. Traylor, pastor.

Liberty Church, Liberty: August 27-September 1; Sunday services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; weekday at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Rev. P. A. Michel, pastor, First, Brookhaven, evangelist; music under direction of Bill Souther, minister of music, Brookhaven; Rev. John E. Watts, pastor.

Byram Church: youth revival, August 25 - 27; the Fairchild Family Team will conduct the services. (The Fairchild Team, in full - time youth evangelism, present the gospel by use of ventriloquism, gospel magic, religious folk singing, chalk talks, and down - to - earth Bible preaching.)

Services Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p. m.; regular services Sunday. Youth Activity Building open after services Fri., Sat. nights; Rev. H. J. Bennett, pastor.

First Church, Florence: August 27-September 1; services Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.; daily services at 7 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Old Fashioned dinner - on - the - ground will follow the Sunday morning service; Rev. John L. Gilbert, pastor, Westview, Jackson, evangelist; music under direction of Bill Gueringer, music director of Rio Vista Church, New Orleans; Mrs. Carole Courtney, pianist; Jimmy Bilbo, organist; Rev. M. R. Bradley, pastor.

Woodhaven Chapel near Ocean Springs: August 27 - Sept. 1; first anniversary commemoration, Sunday, August 27; Rev. W. C. Burns to preach Sunday; Mon. - Fri. services at 7:30 p. m.; Rev. Lamar Griffen, pastor of Biltmore Church, Jacksonville, Fla. evangelist; Danny Brock, guest music director; Rev. Wes Yates, pastor.

REVIVAL RESULTS

New Zion (Simpson): August 6-11; nine rededications; five professions of faith; Rev. George L. Lewis, evangelist; G. W. Shorter, singer; Rev. R. G. Stewart, pastor.

Poplar Springs Drive Church, Meridian: Aug. 6-9; Evangelist Tommy and Diane Winders of Tupelo, led in a ONE WAY REVOLUTION; 56 total decisions, with 14 professions of faith.

Mars Hill, Louisville: Rev. W. B. Boatner, pastor; Rev. Glen Savell, evangelist; 5 professions of faith in Christ.

Hebron Calls Pastor

Rev. W. P. Miley has resigned as pastor of Second, Kosciusko, to accept the call as pastor of Hebron Church, Grenada. He graduated from Mississippi College and received the B.D. degree from New Orleans Seminary. Mr. Miley is married to the former Ruby Thompson of Smith County. They have three children.

Beacon Street, Philadelphia: Rev. J. Herman Pilgrim, pastor; Rev. Glen Savell, evangelist; Alvin Moore, music director; 18 professions of faith in Christ; 4 by letter.

Devotional

I Am The Way

By Frances L. Tyler, Blue Mountain College

"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me" (John 14:6).

Thomas wanted to know how to get to the Father's house and Jesus used a significant "I am" to teach him. Jesus is literally and symbolically the WAY to our Father's House. He will abide with us in our earthly homes and we can abide with Him eternally. A beloved friend sent this motto for our new house:

Enter Lord this house with me,
Until I enter Thine with Thee.

Thomas was more interested in the goal than he was in the way. The goal is always ahead and in the future, so Jesus took care to emphasize the WAY for Thomas. The WAY was the immediate need, the necessary choice, the now of their experiences.

Today Jesus assures us that He is the way for being and becoming, living and acting. The goal is ahead but the WAY is immediate. We can accept or reject Him as we choose, but the WAY is before us and is always beckoning.

The garden lounge on the Queen Mary was a delightful spot for ocean travelers. The interior wall of the spacious room was covered by a panel featuring a formal garden. A garden pathway was in the center of the picture. From every vantage point of the lounge one could enjoy the painting, and regardless of the viewer's position or location in the room, the garden pathway beckoned invitingly. The illusion was so perfect that the passengers felt that only a step would firmly set their feet in the pathway. Jesus is beckoning just as effectively for all wayfarers. He stands with arms extended on every cross reaching to every person and inviting him to accept Him as the WAY.

Thorwaldsen's famous statue of Christ entitled "Come Unto Me" illustrates cold marble the warm and personal invitation of Jesus as the WAY to health and service as well as peace of mind and forgiveness of sins.

If you are young and disillusioned Jesus is the WAY to put new zest in your quest for life.

If you are old and fear entering Wrinkle City Jesus is the WAY to put new vision and motivation in your heart.

If you are middle aged and cynical about your home, marriage, children, job and future Jesus is the WAY for you to learn again how to make love in life.

If you know fear today, Jesus is the WAY to replace your fear with faith. In fact your fear is already faith but it is faith that is perverted because it believes in the wrong thing. Faith in Jesus is faith in the best. God offers His Son and He is the WAY to courage, confidence, humility, and love. He is the WAY to life. He is the WAY to keep us from dying inside.

S. S. Lesson - - -

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appeared in Jerusalem for any cause.

As one reads the chapter of study (Acts 21) he cannot help but feel the commitment on the part of Paul to God's will.

There is the sheer determination of Paul to go on no matter what lies ahead. The warning at Tyre and of Agabus at Caesarea were definite

and true as we know now. Come what may, Paul was one who marched breast-forward.

During one of the sieges in the Spanish Civil War there were some in one of the garrisons who wished to surrender, where as one of the brave soldiers said, "I had rather die on my feet than live on my knees." Paul was like that in bravery.

It is interesting to note that wherever we see Paul visiting, there is a little Christian community waiting to welcome him. One of the privileges of belonging to the church is that no matter where one goes he will find people who welcome him as a believer. The man within the body of Christ is better equipped with friends than any other person in the whole world.

Is it ever right to compromise? When Paul arrived in Jerusalem he presented the church with a problem. The leaders accepted him and saw God's hand in his work. But gossip spread about him that he had encouraged Jews to forsake the ancestral Jewish faith and customs. This was not true. He had said that Jesus had fulfilled the law and now it was irrelevant for Gentiles. The leaders of the church wished to demonstrate Paul's orthodoxy of faith and conduct, so they encouraged him to take the Nazarite vow. This was a vow taken in gratitude for some special goodness from the hand of God or for some special deliverance wrought by God, such as deliverance from a sickness. The vow would involve abstinence from meat and wine for 30 days and allowing the hair to grow long, after first shaving the head. At the end, the person taking the vow had to make offerings — a year old lamb for a sin offering, a ram for a peace offering, a basket of unleavened bread, cakes of fine flour mingled with oil, and a meat offering and a drink offering. The hair that had grown out since the head was shaved was burned on the altar of sacrifice. By so doing, Paul demonstrated that he was an observer of the law. He did this act of a vow because the church wanted him to. It is a sign of greatness when a man will subordinate his own wishes and views for the sake of the church. Compromise in this case was a sign of strength, not weakness. He in no wise broke any belief or pattern that made him disloyal to his teachings.

However, there are times when the best cannot satisfy those who are determined to destroy the truth. Some of the Asian Jews assumed that during the vow, Paul had taken a Gentile into the temple with him. Just because they saw Paul in the city with Trophimus, they spread the word that he was in the temple with him also.

Their assumption accused Paul of destroying the law, insulting the chosen people, and defiling the temple. Their prejudice blinded their eyes to the truth, to the facts, and to love. They were so bitter that they were willing to do anything to rid the world of Paul. The atmosphere was electric during the festival. These Asian Jews initiated a movement among the crowd to lynch him. Except for the Roman commander's act of arresting Paul, he would have been killed. The impartial justice of Rome saved his life.

The charges against Paul were about the same as those against Stephen. However, the feelings of the crowd have no defense. They were the result of hate, of ignorance. The term, "Gentile lover," could be attached to Paul's life. But thank God for the love of Gentiles that brought fruit even unto our own lives.

Sometimes people might not understand our thoughts or feelings, but if God is leading us to do something, then we will never be happy until we have done it. Life is too short not to be happy doing what God would have us to do. The cost is never too great if it is for the right cause, but make sure that it is not some emotional feeling that causes you to do it. Paul did not just want to have a name for dying for a cause. He wanted to be known as one who did something about the needs in the world. He was committed to doing God's will.

Coast Churches Hold Retreat At State Park

Recently, several churches from the Gulf Coast held a retreat at Paul B. Johnson State Park in Hattiesburg. Emmanuel of Biloxi served as the host church with Rev. Robert Self as coordinator for Bible teacher and Davis Rogers of Bay Vista Church as coordinator of activities. Bill Brady of Bellehaven and Ronnie Hague of Bay St. Louis served as director of counselors and music director respectively. There were some 150 people present at any given time but on Monday night, a church from Corpus Christi, Texas came and presented the musical, "Love." On Tuesday night, the New Christian Sounds from Handsboro gave the program and on Wednesday night, a commitment service was held.

"During the entire retreat, the Spirit was in evidence. God was doing a work. After the evening meal, the youth would load up in a bus or two and go across the lake into the camping area and talk with people about the Lord. As a result of the work, there were 39 professions of faith, 28 rededications, one surrendering to the Gospel Ministry and four for other varied fulltime Christian vocations. This spirit of revival continues to permeate the churches that participated and many still are being won to Christ. The churches plan to conduct a retreat together next year," reports Pastor Self.



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